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Department of Energy
Bonneville Power Administration

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REPLY TO
ATTN OF: KEP-4

SUBJECT: Supplement Analysis for the Transmission System Vegetation Management Program FEIS
(DOE/EIS-0285/SA-190)

TO: Ed Tompkins – TFO - LMT
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Proposed Action: Vegetation Management on the North Bonneville – Troutdale (Structures 5/3 and 14/2-28/4) and North Bonneville –Ross (Structures 3/1-8/3; 20/1-37/2) 230 kV Transmission Line Corridors.

Location: The project area falls in Skamania and Clark Counties, WA and is in the BPA Olympia Region.

Proposed by: Bonneville Power Administration.

Description of the Proposed Action: BPA proposes to clear unwanted vegetation from the rights of way and access roads for BPA's North Bonneville-Troutdale and North Bonneville-Ross Transmission Line Corridors.

Analysis: Two checklists (see attached) were completed for this project in accordance with the requirements identified in the Bonneville Power Administrations Transmission System Vegetation Management Program FEIS (DOE/EIS-0285). The checklist evaluated the following areas:

- *Description of right-of-way and vegetation management needed*
- *Vegetation to be controlled*
- *Surrounding land use and landowner*
- *Natural Resource*
- *Vegetation control methods*
- *Debris disposal.*
- *Monitoring*
- *Appropriate environmental documentation*

In preparation of this Supplement Analysis, the checklists were reviewed. Specific information regarding the areas as identified above are described the attached checklists.

Finding: This Supplement Analysis finds that: (1) the proposed actions are substantially consistent with the Transmission System Vegetation Management Program FEIS (DOE/EIS-0285) and ROD; and (2) there are no new circumstances or information relevant to environmental concerns and bearing on the proposed actions or their impacts. Therefore, no further NEPA documentation is required.

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Attachment

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Environmental File – KEC-4
Official File – KEP (EQ-14)